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SUBJECT: CIPEC EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TO VISIT KINSHASA

1. APRIL 20 EDITION OF AZAP, SEMI-OFFICIAL ZAIRIAN PRESS PUBLICATION, CARRIED PARIS DATELINED INTERVIEW WITH SACHA GUERONIK, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE INTERGOVERNMENTAL COUNCIL OF COPPER EXPORTING COUNTRIES (CIPEC). SIGNIFICANT POINTS OF ARTICLE FOLLOW:

2. GUERONIK WAS TO DEPART PARIS APRIL 20 TO MAKE VISIT TO KINSHASA OF APPROXIMATELY ONE WEEK'S DURATION. PRIMARY PURPOSE OF VISIT WILL BE TO ESTABLISH CONTACT WITH THE NEW ZAIRIAN COMMISSIONER OF MINES, MOLONGYA MAYI KUSA, AND TO HAVE TALKS OF A GENERAL NATURE WITH APPROPRIATE ZAIRIAN OFFICIALS CONCERNING PROBLEMS RELATED TO THE INTERNATIONAL PRODUCTION AND EXPORTATION OF COPPER.

3. THE VISIT TO KINSHASA WILL ALSO BE IN THE PERSPECTIVE OF THE VISIT MADE LAST AUGUST BY FRENCH PRESIDENT GISCARD, DURING WHICH THE GOVERNMENT OF FRANCE AND ZAIRE ISSUED A JOINT COMMUNIQUE CONCERNING A PROPOSAL TO REGULARIZE THE INTERNATIONAL PRICE OF COPPER. GUERONIK MADE REFERENCE TO THE MEETINGS HELD

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AT THE INITIATIVE OF ZAIRE AND FRANCE LAST MARCH 22-26 AT

GENEVA BETWEEN PRODUCING AND CONSUMING COUNTRIES. HE SAID THAT
IN THAT SAME CONTEXT A WORKING GROUP OF REPRESENTATIVES OF
THE PRODUCING COUNTRIES WILL MEET NEXT JUNE TO CONSIDER VARIOUS
PROPOSALS. THIS WORKING GROUP WILL HAVE A SECOND MEETING NEXT
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